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## PX Smashes Sales Mark; Gift Buying Spree Over

What to buy for Xmas was the big question in November and December, and McGuire personnel found the answer in the Post Exchange.

There were gifts for all members of the family and the PX did a landslide business keeping up with the demands of all those here. Sales for the two months before Xmas reached \$218,000 as compared to a total sale of \$590,000 for the ten other months for 1945.

"They cleaned us out and we had to reorder three times on most items," said Capt. Beatty, PX officer. "The two biggest sellers were jewelry and perfume, but all the other departments got a share of the holiday rush."

For dad and brother there was luggage; Gruen, Longine, Wittauer, and Croton watches; pen sets made by Parker & Eversharp; wallets; pipes and cigarettes; lighters; and shaving articles.

Mother, sister, wife and sweetheart were given pearls, costume jewelry, corde handbags, sweaters, beautiful watches & compacts, week-end cases and aluminum trays. There were available such well known cosmetics as Shulton's Old Spice and Friendship Gardens; Henri Monet, Max Factor, Houbigant, Maria Dancia, Bourjois, and Prince Matchabelli. The Prince Matchabelli cosmetics arrived the day before Christmas, but were sold out within four hours. Of course, the ladies also got luggage, pen sets, stationary, and such well known box candies as Whitman's Sampler and Fairhill.

Not even the baby of the family was forgotten; and for him or her there were dolls, stuffed animals, toys, and games of all kinds.

Two carts, one loaded with choicest items from the PX show cases, and the other stacked high with Xmas cards were taken through the wards everyday to give the boys confined to their beds a chance to shop. Over 8,000 Xmas cards were sold in a three-week period.

Another special service was gift wrapping which was done voluntarily by the salesgirls. Yards of colorful paper and spools of ribbon were consumed in wrapping hundreds of gifts to make this a wonderful holiday season.

Gross sales in the PX during 1945 totalled \$815,150.00.

### NCO-Club Meeting

A meeting for active members only will be held at the NCO-club Tuesday evening at 8 o'clock for the purpose of reviewing the constitution of the organization in addition to informing the members of the financial status of the club. All members of the club are urged to attend the meeting.

### Why Editors Go Mad

What with Christmas and New Years coming so close to each other this year—it's this modern age we live in—the accompanying celebrations must have been too much for all but the editor of the BANNER.

As for that gent, close inspection will reveal that he is a refugee from a post-mortem.

If the BANNER appears to be different this week, with a number of familiar features missing, don't blame it on the weather.

CNS, the army agency which sends the BANNER such stuff as Male Call, the Wolf and many other items of interest, has either gone out of business or sent us their stuff by way of the Havana Special. At any rate, as this edition of the BANNER goes to press, Miss Lace is missing, the Wolf may be hibernating or just shakin' up and—but, we're tired of making excuses.

We hope that when the BANNER hits the stands next week this slightly hung-over edition will be a memory out of a bottle long dissipated.

Stick with us, dear reader, please.

## Bond Quotas Topped; Loan Drive Ended

The final report on the Victory Loan drive at McGuire which began Oct. 29, 1945 and ended Dec. 31, revealed that all personnel at the installation, both military and civilian, topped the quotas established for the hospital by oversubscribing their purchases in cash sales and payroll deductions.

Military personnel accounted for 130 per cent of its quota, while disappointing civilian sales tallied 100.04 per cent.

With a quota of 45 thousand dollars established for the military, actual sales amounted to over 58 thousand dollars. Civilians, with a quota of 48 thousand dollars barely exceeded the limits imposed upon them to bring the total percentage of the hospital's quota down to 115 per cent.

Total cash sales for military and civilians exceeded 107 thousand dollars.

## Employee Gives Success Reason

The following message brought to the attention of the BANNER by Chaplain Edward W. Eanes was written by an employe of McGuire who prefers to remain anonymous.

While, at first glance, the message may appear to be too late for the New Year holiday, the subject matter of the text is such that, as a reiteration of personal belief, it may be read and found worthy at any time of the year.

### "MY NEW YEAR"

I believe in myself. I believe in those who work with me. I believe in my employer. I believe in my friends. I believe in my family. I believe that God will lend me everything I need with which to succeed in life if I do my best to earn it through honest and faithful service.

I believe in prayer and I will never close my eyes in sleep without asking for divine guidance to the end that I will be patient with other people and will be tolerant of others who do not believe as I do. I believe in looking for the truth in all religions rather than looking for the differences.

I believe that any success is the result of honest effort, combined with intelligent application and does not depend upon luck or sharp practices or double crossing my friends, my fellow workers or my employer. I believe I will get out of life exactly what I put into it, therefore I will be careful to conduct myself towards others as I want them to act toward me.

I will not slight my work, no matter what I see others doing. I will render the best possible service because I believe that success in life is the result of conscientious effort and efficient application.

Finally, I will forgive those who offend me because I shall sometimes offend others and shall need their forgiveness.

## Suit Yourself

Discharged veterans who can't find men's suits on the market are being given a helping hand by the Civilian Production Administration.

The CPA announced this week it will grant priorities to clothing manufacturers in an effort to put 14 million low-priced men's suits on the market during the current year. The average price for the suit will be \$33.

## Amendments to GI Bill Widen Benefits to Vets

In signing the revised GI Bill of Rights, President Harry S. Truman flung open the school doors of the nation to thousands of additional veterans. With his signature, it is estimated the President added 15 billion dollars to the nation's future tax bills.

With the amendments to the GI Bill, many previous weaknesses have been corrected. Outstanding changes included establishing eligibility for all veterans, regardless of age, to benefit from four years of schooling at government expense; increasing the subsistence rates paid to such veterans while in school, and easing the requirements necessary for borrowing money. None of the benefits derived under the amended bill will be deducted from future pensions, or bonuses, assuming that legislation extending those types of rewards will be passed.

The revisions cover everything from loan provisions to legal proceedings.

Subsistence allowances for single veterans have been raised from 50 to 65 dollars a month, and for married vets from 75 to 90 dollars. Disabled veterans receive an increase from 92 to 105 dollars each month and possibly higher depending on various factors.

Under the old law a veteran had to be under 25 years of age or be able to prove that his education had been interrupted upon being called into service in order to qualify for at least a year of schooling.

Another fast-talking operator collected \$4,500 from a group of merchant seamen in "short term" notes on which he "guaranteed" he would pay interest of 20 per cent plus a 10 per cent dividend. Needless to say the borrower disappeared.

The

bureau cited another case in which a company promised to furnish to families of men and women in the armed services an oil-colored, leatherette portrait enlargement of a service man or woman, embossed in gold, all for the price of \$1.49. Investigation showed that the bargain consisted of a picture not colored in oil, not embossed in gold, and framed in cardboard.

There are a thousand variations of schemes of this sort which may be worked. If a veteran in any State comes up against an offer of an investment or a job that seems to have some phony angle connected with it, or if he simply wants to know the straight facts on a proposition that seems interesting, there generally is a Better Business Bureau to which he can address an inquiry.

Probably the most ghoulish scheme yet hatched has been reported by Alfred W. Herrmann, New York County Commander of the Jewish War Veterans. Mr. Herrmann says he has learned from several sources that families of men killed in service overseas have been approached by individuals offering to have bodies returned to the United States upon payment of a fee of \$300.

Return of bodies cannot be accomplished by any private person or agency and the offering of such a service for fee is dishonest to say the least. The Government definitely is on record as intending to bring back to the United States, as soon as practicable, the remains of any man who died abroad in service, if his family makes this request to the Adjutant General's Office, United States Army, Washington 25, D. C.

## WD Backs Peace Draft

Washington—The War Department declared that it "still remains squarely behind" President Truman's recommendations to Congress for a full year of military training for American youth in denying the statement of an unnamed officer that it was prepared to compromise on a 4-month program.

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## Writer's Cramp

When the flush of the war-time fever was burning brightest, well-meaning citizens and organizations throughout the country demonstrated their gratitude towards servicemen in very material terms.

Even in the smallest hamlet there sprung up huts or canteens in which members of the armed forces in transit might be fed or sheltered temporarily.

In the larger cities, the patriotic zeal of the local gentry was unbounded. The theme was "Everything for the serviceman. Nothing is too good for our boys."

To the ears of the neophyte warriors that was sweet music. Off-post relaxation was a considerable problem to the GIs as well as the brass hats.

When, with official sanction, the various USOs and Stage Door Canteens began to flourish, the worries about "our boys" going to the dogs was diminished considerably. Mothers and wives breathed easier, knowing that the entertainment offered in these places might keep their men out of more serious trouble.

With V-J Day and the demobilization that followed, the public's enthusiasm waned. Movies that granted special rates to service people revised their figures upwards. The Stage Door Canteens from coast to coast shuttered their doors. The party was over and the vicarious thrill for the non-participants in the war was gone.

In such petty ways as forgetting to pick up a soldier on the road was the feeling of victory manifested. Concern for the welfare of the serviceman was being replaced rapidly by indifference.

To the old-timer with just a few months of duty left in the Army, it was nothing to get excited about, really. It was just one of those things that would cease to matter in a little while; a concern that could be discarded with the uniform.

To the kids just coming into the armed forces, the lack of all these "benefits" of being a soldier must be a pretty rough deal. At this stage of the game, with only those under 25 years of age being accepted for service, the young inductees must be getting the feeling that they are second-rate citizens. There's little enough glory for the soldier in wartime, but, at least, there is a reason for a man being in uniform.

While the reason for the continuance of the draft is equally valid during this peace as in the war, try explaining that to an 18-year-old boy away from home for the first time in his life. If you can recall how lonely it was for you when you first came into the Army, change places for a little while with the kids coming in now.

We're not by any token being Pollyannish, but it strikes us as a helluva note that these kids—and we're speaking of those who intend to be decent—will have no place better to go than a company day-room or post service club when the day's training is done.

Those who leave the post will walk aimlessly along the streets with many trailing into some beer joint out of sheer boredom and the lack of a better place to go.

In our time we were never much of a USO commando, and we've always agreed with the guys who say "everyone to his own taste." The last time we wandered into a USO we were struck by the apathy that existed in the place. It seemed to us like the lobby of a cheap hotel for itinerants.

Granted that the blush has worn off the rose and that the war is over, thank the Lord, our sense of fitness of things is perturbed by the disinterest shown to the new crop of soldiers by those who seemed unable to do enough just a year or two ago.

What disturbs us even more is that, despite this, the drive for funds continues undiminished. What gives, anyhow?

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—D. F.



FAMILIAR SCENE—This action shot, taken during the first half of the current basketball season, shows a lively moment in a game between the Generals and one of their opponents. For the 1945 half of the season, the McGuire team lost but one decision in eight starts.



Q. If a serviceman performs an act of heroism and is offered the Seider's Medal, but refuses the award, can he later change his mind and apply for it? If so, where does he apply for same?

A. For information regarding eligibility for a specific decoration and award which was refused by the serviceman, he should contact his commanding officer, if still in active service, he should communicate with the Adjutant General, Decorations & Awards Branch, War Department, Washington 25, D. C.

Q. My wife and I were both in service. Can we each get a loan from our bank and have it guaranteed under the "GI Bill of Rights" to be used in buying a house?

A. Each of you will be treated as an individual veteran. If you are both able to get loans from your bank or any other approved lending agency, and could get them guaranteed from the Veterans' Administration.

Q. I understand that all members of the Armed Forces of the United States who have served for any period between Sept. 16, 1940, and the date to be established as six months after the duration of the present emergency, are now eligible to receive a testimonial of appreciation from the President upon honorable discharge. Since I was honorably discharged from the Army some time ago, would I be eligible to receive the testimonial?

A. Personnel already released from the service may receive their testimonial upon presentation, either in person or by mail, of a Certificate of Service, discharge or other evidence of honorable separation, at all Army installations in the United States. Overseas commands will prescribe stations at which former U. S. military personnel now residing within their commands may obtain the testimonial.

## Bars and Stripes

To Technical Sergeant

S-Sgt. Dorothy Goldstein

To Technician Fourth Grade

T-5 Christine M. Dudley

T-5 Mary E. Mowry

T-5 Mary Reichert

T-5 Helen Risser

To Corporal

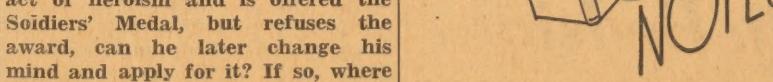
Pfc. John G. Anderson.

123 GIs married Filipino girls in Manila during the eight months of liberation since last October. During that time, soldiers also wed 161 Wacs stationed on the islands.

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This is not the cost of a complete outfit, by any means. The estimated average is on the vet's first clothing purchases immediately on discharge from the Army.



By Suzanne McLaurin Connell

Amid all of the discharges which are taking place these days, one of interest to all of you eager readers happened on December 28. Yes, the war is really over, and Yank, The Army Weekly, has been discharged from the Army!

This week's cover for Yank is an honorable discharge certificate. As the editorial staff says, "This week's cover is Yank's last cover. It needs no explanation. So long and good luck."

Many soldiers, judging by the numbers who ask for Yank—have been faithful friends of Yank and will regret its disappearance from the Library. It brought excellent articles about Army life and life at home; clever cartoons (notably, the incomparable Sad Sack); beautiful pin-up girls; open forums in which one could express opinions and read those of other soldiers; "Mail Call" with its interesting letters from soldiers around the world; and many other familiar pictures which have entertained and interested GIs since the beginning of the publication.

This last issue is a typical example of Yank at its best and is a fitting close to a distinguished soldier's career. It opens with an article entitled "Honorable Discharge," a fine resume' of Yank's life since its birth in June 1942. There are other excellent articles, including "Inventory, U.S.A.;" "Sweating it out—Europe;" "Sweating it out—Pacific;" "Separations" and "Out Six Months." You'll find pages of pin-up girls, one of the best of the Sad Sack series, the famous brands of Yank cartoons (notably, the cartoon on the back cover entitled ("Veteran's 20th Annual Reunion")—in fact, a general mixture of Yank's specialties all served as a final treat.

So, as a good old friend leaves the Army, it is fitting that we pay a tribute and not allow this departure to pass without notice.

## Transfer Point

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## POST THEATRE

Week of Friday January 4. First show at 6:15 p.m.; second show at 8:15 p.m., daily. Matinee every Sunday at 2 p.m.

FRIDAY—"One Way to Love" with Chester Morris and Marquerite Chapman.

SATURDAY—"House of Dracula" with Lon Chaney, John Carradine.

SUNDAY & MONDAY—"Frontier Gal", with Yvonne De Carlo, Rod Cameron.

TUESDAY—Double Feature: "The Red Dragon," with Sidney Toler, Willie Best; "A Guy Could Change," with Allan Lane, Jane Frazee.

WEDNESDAY & THURSDAY—"Kitty", with Paulette Goddard, Ray Milland.

FRIDAY—"A Letter From Evie," with Marsha Hunt, John Carroll.

## Chapel Schedule

### PROTESTANT

Midweek Service Wednesday evenings ..... 6:30 p.m.

Conference Room 12, Building 303.

Daily Services, Monday through Saturday inclusive, 8:00 a.m. in Red Cross lounge.

Sunday Service ..... 9:30 a.m. and, at 10:30 a.m. in Conference Room, Bldg. 303.

### CATHOLIC

Sunday Mass ..... 8:30, 11:00 a.m.

Daily Mass:

Mon. and Thurs. ..... 5:00 p.m.

Tues., Fri., Sat. ..... 6:00 a.m.

Confessions Sat. .... 6:30-8:00 p.m.

### JEWISH

Friday Services ..... 7:00 p.m.

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"Tomorrow he's mister."



**DRAWN FROM LIFE**—This sketch of Pfc. Michael Evancho, a patient here recently, is typical of the work done by artists touring hospitals here and abroad for the USO. Mike's portrait was drawn by Elizabeth Langsdorf Miller, a well-known illustrator, who visited McGuire a few months ago.

## Artists Draw Soldiers From Fronts to Bedside

More than 140 professional American artists, working in service hospitals all over the globe, are bringing a new kind of morale builder to the nation's wounded by producing 35,000 portraits to their order. Doctors and psychiatrists heartily approved of the project, which is under the auspices of the USO. The artists enjoy it thoroughly, and the soldiers vie for the opportunity to be sketched.

Drawing a quick portrait of a service man—the artist usually passes only half an hour on each—has proved to have therapeutic value. It's not just the picture; it's a picture for a certain person. It serves as a quick mental telegram home, reminding the soldier of his family and making them glad to see that he hasn't changed, after all.

Not all the artists do portraits. Vernon Grant, well-known magazine cover illustrator, recently returned after six months in Germany, during which he completed a great number of water colors for soldiers. Although he did no actual portrait work, he sketched pin-up girls, cartoons and other pictures the men requested.

A painful part of Mr. Grant's job was hearing complaints about girl friends at home who had deserted their soldiers. In such an instance he would draw a quick cartoon of the soldier surrounded by beautiful girls—to be sent to the offender.

All the patients enjoy watching the artists at work. If it's a portrait, the men gather round and joke at the envied sitter.

Often the soldiers draw lots to see who gets his picture made, and some have paid as much as \$25 to buy the lucky number from the winner.

Polly Faris, who has exhibited at

the National Academy of Design and for two years has been on the art jury of the National Association of Women Artists, passed six months in the Mediterranean area.

John Vickery, Australian artist, who worked in the Pacific area under the auspices of the USO, told of many severely wounded men he had sketched. Sometimes doctors requested him to do portraits of certain wounded men who had lost all hope of recovery. Occasionally the boys died within a few hours after the pictures were drawn.

Miss Sara Whitney Olds, portrait artist, who has been working at Mason General Hospital, Brentwood, L. I., commenting on the morale of the men in this mental institution, said: "Many of them condemn themselves because they have no visible scars to show for their terrible experiences."

"In general medical hospitals, the morale is very good," Miss Olds continued. "I have sketched men for an hour who had severed spinal cords and were paralyzed from the waist down—not knowing whether they could walk again—and these men have kidded and laughed the whole hour."

The artists are paid nothing except expenses, though some of their works would command hundreds of dollars if commissioned.

### General Fleeced By Italian Moppets

Rome.—Within an hour after Maj. Gen. M. E. Powers arrived from Washington on a surplus property mission, Italian kids taught him where some of it—not necessarily surplus—is going.

When the general stepped out of his staff car for a look at the Colosseum, they swiped his brief-case from the back seat after diverting the attention of his driver by squealing for candy and chewing gum.

## Patient Swaps Pigskin for Sheepskin

Take a glance at Cpl. Archie Sanders, 22, a patient at McGuire for the last six months, and you could never tell that his locomotion is supplied by two metal legs.

Perhaps he won't play football again, but he is rapidly getting into shape to enter college next fall and participate in less rugged pastimes.

Sanders is the second bilateral amputee at McGuire well on the way towards completing the artificial limb walking program. He has been a little faster than some of the other patients. This was probably due to the fact that his leg and thigh muscles were highly developed and coordinated through years of athletic training.

He was a star tackle on the Brownsville, Tenn., high school eleven when he entered the army in his senior year nearly three years ago.

"I was always confident that I would walk again after I saw a civilian getting around very well on artificial legs," Sanders said. "I figured if he could do it, so could I."

Sanders, a member of the Second Infantry Division, went overseas in May, 1943.

It was the night of last April 17 that he was injured. It happened in Leipzig, Germany. He was with an advance patrol. Artillery fire did it. He lost his left leg below the knee and his right leg above the knee.

Sanders received emergency treatment in various European hospitals and was then brought by plane to McGuire, arriving in Richmond last May 20.

He received his artificial legs a month ago and within two weeks was getting around in fairly good shape. He is frank in admitting that he is rather proud of his accomplishments with the metal underpinnings.

"My only trouble is getting downstairs," he said. "Then I have to take it slow and easy. I'm practicing on the stairs every day and I'm sure this difficulty will soon be overcome. Going upstairs doesn't bother me in the least."

Sanders has not decided what course he will take or what college he will attend. But he is very sure of one thing: He wants to continue his education.

One of his first trips in the hospital under his own power will take him to vocational counseling headquarters for advice.

"I'm going to let the experts down there help me decide my future," he added.

Sanders has two brothers in the service—Pfc. Walter Jr., in India, and Sgt. Dudley in the south Pacific. The brothers haven't seen each other for three years and all are looking forward to a reunion soon with their father, Walter Sanders, Sr., at his Brownsville home.

### 10-Yr. Occupation Seen by McNarney

Gen. Joseph T. McNarney, who succeeded Gen. Eisenhower as head of the U. S. forces in Europe, predicted that the occupation of Germany would last at least ten years. During this period, he went on, the Germans would have time to establish a democratic government and perfect a self-sufficient economic program. Gen. McNarney said he would adhere strictly to our de-Nazification policy. "I have not forgotten who started the war," he declared. "The German people must realize that they are responsible, and that their debt has not been paid."

He favors bringing the families of occupation troops to Germany beginning next spring.

### High Brass Gets News

Tokyo (CNS)—One correspondent covering the occupation who should have no trouble talking to the brass is Julius Ochs Adler of the New York Times. He was recently retired as a brigadier.

## Your Work in the Army May Land You a Job

Army and Navy job experience can pay off when you hit the civilian labor market.

This may seem preposterous to a rifleman who has spent most of his military career in the mud, squeezing an occasional bullet at the enemy. But he hasn't been wasting his time, nor has any sailor.

The War Manpower Commission can prove it. So can other agencies, both governmental and civilian.

They have spent a lot of time figuring out civilian jobs for which servicemen are qualified and have established that one-third of all Army jobs are related directly to civilian occupations, one-third are directly related and ALL are related in some way.

As for the rifleman, believe it or not, he has qualifications that are related to 49 civilian jobs.

Military job experience is of special value if: 1. You improved civilian skills by what you learned as a soldier. 2. You learned an entirely new skill. 3. You learned about a field of employment you like which you hadn't considered before.

Under the first heading comes the man who may have been an auto mechanic before he became a GI. In the Army he received specialized mechanical training, then became a truckmaster or a truck driver.

In the second group is the gas station attendant who learned meat cutting in the Army and has decided to become a civilian butcher after getting discharged.

An example of the third class is the machine operator who was assigned to a Judge Advocate's office and found, through indirect contacts with law, that he won't be satisfied unless he returns to school and becomes an attorney.

Backhanded benefits from military job experience have come to some men. For instance, to the GI who had gotten half-way through teacher's college, who became an instructor at a service school and found that he would never be happy if he made teaching a life's work. Such a discovery is negative, but important.

The kind of civilian work for which military experience has fitted men is extremely varied. Consider the rifleman, the fellow whose Army job has been to load, aim and fire a rifle to destroy enemy personnel. And whose business it has been to assist in the capture and holding of enemy positions.

Among the possible civilian occupations for him, with only brief on-the-job experience, are: powder monkey, explosive operator, magazine keeper or nitroglycerin store-room operator. With some additional training, he may qualify as a hunting and fishing guide, a trapper, oiler or greaser. Or perhaps as an automobile accessories installed, a stud hairspringer, garage equipment assembler, shrink pit helper, star-gage operator or gymnasticator operator.

In other fields, Army jobs and

a few of the civilian occupations to which they are related include:

Control Tower Operator: airport control operator, studio engineer, transmitter tester.

Ammunition Handler: cotton picker operator, brine house man, solvent recovery man.

Heavy Artillery Mechanic: barrel driller, fuel system installer, motorcycle repairman.

Classification Specialist: camp director, time-study engineer, social worker.

Clerk-Typist: court reporter, clerk-typist, librarian.

Landing Craft Coxswain: barge captain, bus driver, pleasure craft sailor.

Glider Mechanic: airplane inspector, canvas worker, spot welder.

Light Machine Gunner: cigar machine oiler, dump truck operator, draw press operator.

Medical Corpsman: asylum attendant, anesthetist, funeral attendant.

Radar Operator: photoradio operator, call-box wirer, instrument maker.

Tank Mechanic: seamless tube inspector, installation mechanic, bulldozer, operator.

Similarly, a partial list of Navy specialties and some of the civilian jobs to which they are related include:

Aviation Electrician's Mate: radio chassis assembler, telephone repairman, electrical appliance servicer.

Chief Commissary Steward: kitchen supervisor, hotel manager, food and drug inspector.

Hospital Apprentice: hospital attendant, physical therapist, laboratory tester.

Seaman: marine oiler, house painter, sail finisher.

Shipfitter: welder, pipefitter, millwright.

Parachute Rigger: sewing machine operator, awning maker, tailor.

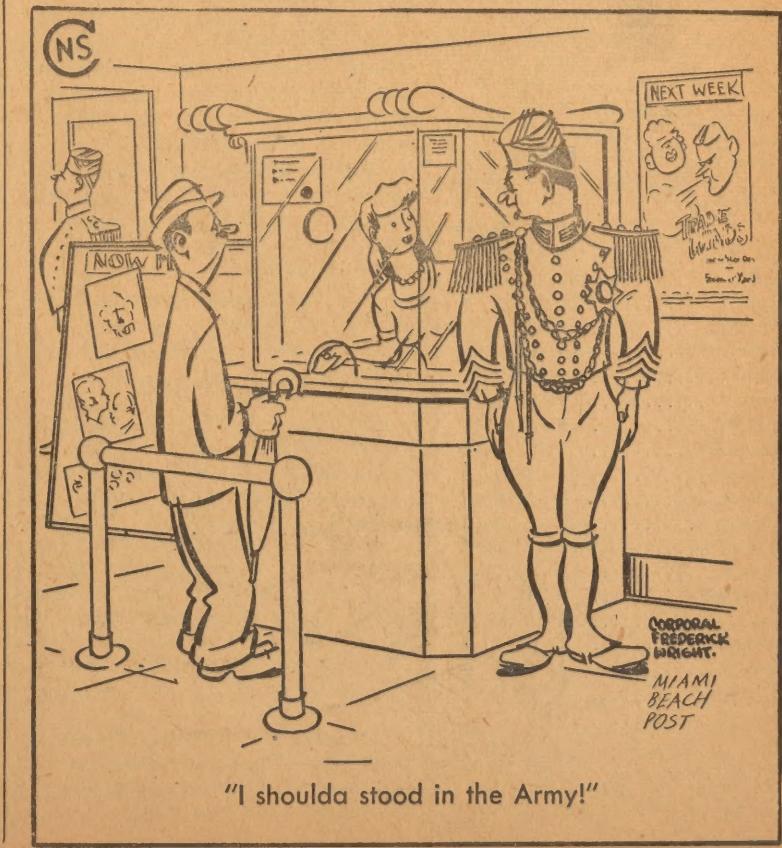
Torpedoman's Mate: solderer, lock maker, washing machine servicer.

Yeoman: clerk-typist, office manager, bookkeeping machine operator.

### Fine Memorial

Dartmouth college at Hanover, N. H., has conceived a different kind of memorial to its gold star men. The sons of Dartmouth alumni who died in World War II will receive all-expense scholarships.

In Ellensburg, Wash., 420 Central Washington College girls ran off a raffle to decide who would get the 30 available boys for a hayride.



# Local Ball Fans Fret; Generals Hit the Road

By LT. CHRIS J. EDMONDS

Boasting an average of 50 points a game, the McGuire Generals swing back into basketball action tonight with the opening tilt of a two-game roadtrip against Du Pont at Waynesboro, Va.

The Generals, who closed the 1945 section of their schedule with a record of seven wins in eight starts, have three games carded on foreign floors before returning to the home hardwood on January 11 to meet the 3386th SCU PW Camp. After meeting Du Pont tonight, the Generals move over to Staunton to tangle with Woodrow Wilson in a return game tomorrow. On Monday, the squad travels to Ashland for the second tilt of a home-and-home series with Randolph-Macon College.

In racking up 397 points in eight games before the holidays, the Generals bowed only to a red-hot Hampden-Sydney College team, holding all opponents to 281 points for an average of 35 a game. Among the victims were both Woodrow Wilson and Randolph-Macon, the Presidents losing by 50-42 and the Collegians by a 40-30 count. Tonight's game with Du Pont is the first of a home-and-home series.

Team Captain Charley Wolf soared into the individual scoring lead as the first-half of the season ended, notching 83 points on 34 baskets and 15 three throws for an average of slightly over 10 markers a game. Al Rinaldi and Raymond (Dusty) Rhodes are waging a stiff fight for the second spot, with Rinaldi on top with 58 points to Rhodes' 57.

Wolf, while leading the scorers, also has the dubious distinction of missing the most free throws, 12, and committing the most fouls, 16. Complete statistics on missed charity tosses are not available, but those on hand reveal that the entire squad has missed 27 while connecting on only 59, a weakness which may well cost the Generals a verdict in any of their coming games with tough opponents.

Another apparent weakness—inability to function effectively under the backboards—is expected to be remedied during the month with the return to action of Bill Cheswick, six foot six inch center. A veteran of last year's Generals squad, Cheswick has been on the sidelines so far this year as the result of surgery on both feet, but is tabbed to break into the lineup within a short time. Possessor of a slick southpaw hook shot, the towering pivot man is looked on as a main cog in future offensive action and as a bulwark under the nets on defense. Cheswick played freshman ball at Columbia University after making the all-New York City scholastic team two years running.

A welcome addition to a slightly pallid second half schedule has been announced by Coach Al Bianco. Virginia Tech, annually a power-house in the state's athletic circles, has been signed for a home game on February 2. Bianco also revealed negotiations were underway for a pair of games with the University of Richmond.

	fg	ft	ftm	pf	tp
Wolf	34	15	12	16	83
Rinaldi	25	8	1	6	58
Rhodes	24	9	6	6	57
Cromwell	21	6	2	3	48
Farris	13	6	0	12	32
Rabin	13	5	0	9	31
Current	7	0	0	3	14
Feltman	5	3	3	10	13
Diamond	5	0	0	4	10
Kumpfer	3	3	2	8	9
Windnagle	3	2	0	3	8
Roffman	3	0	0	3	6
Garrett	2	2	0	4	6
Conway	3	0	1	1	6
Sheppard	2	0	0	0	4
Stack	2	0	0	1	4
Burman	2	0	0	2	4
Jackson	1	0	0	0	2
Hoffman	1	0	0	1	2
Kraft	0	0	0	1	0
<b>Totals</b>	<b>169</b>	<b>59</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>93</b>	<b>397</b>

Symbols: fg, field goals; ft, free throws; ftm, free throws missed; pf, personal fouls; tp, total points.



JACK FARRIS—Formerly a member of the frosh basketball team at Georgetown University, Lt. John Farris has become known as a key figure and spark plug of the McGuire Generals.

## Stateside GIs Wear Ribbon Denied Ike

FRANKFORT, Germany — One ribbon that will not decorate the chest of General Eisenhower or his chief of staff, Lt. Gen. Walter B. Smith, is the American Theater ribbon. Both generals have served too long overseas and not long enough in the U. S.

To wear the ribbon, Gen. Smith disclosed, one must have served in the U. S. for one year after Dec. 7, 1941. Eisenhower arrived overseas in June, 1942, while Smith arrived in Europe in September of the same year.

## Orders Snafu; Pacific GIs Sweat

Puzzled Pacific GI's are trying to figure out this one:

The War Department informed Middle Pacific headquarters that overseas Army personnel returning to the mainland for discharges, who submitted proof of change of address or who had been promised employment at a new address, may go to the separation center nearest the new address for discharge. But it made this exception:

"That provision is that the total of distances from the port of debarkation to the separation center, plus the distance from there to the point of entry on active service cannot be greater than the distance from the port of debarkation to the separation center serving dischargee's old address, plus the distance from there to the point of entry on active service."

Stars and Stripes, the Army newspaper, ran the story and appended a request that all letters asking for an explanation be sent directly to the War Department.

"We don't know what it means, either," it added.

## Hard Luck Story

BROOKLYN (CNS)—A Brooklyn truck driver is convinced that this is a tough old world. He couldn't make a living with his truck, so he turned to bookmaking. He complained to an officer: "And now every player is beating me." Magistrate Ambrose J. Haddock in Gamblers Court took pity, gave the driver (and his pocketbook) a 15-day rest when he couldn't pay the \$75 fine.

MINNEAPOLIS (CNS)—Unhappily wed, Mrs. Mingon Pisharo has sued for divorce. The charge: Hubby put fishhooks in his pants pockets each night.

## Roof No Problem To These 10 Vets

Ten veterans who live in St. Paul, Minn., have found a solution to their housing problem. They've bought their own apartment building for 28 thousand dollars.

Eight of the veterans have been life-long friends. They explain that they are tired of living with friends, inlaws and people to whom they cause discomfort and crowding.

Each man put up 400 hundred dollars in cash and made a four thousand dollar down payment to the former owners. Each vet will pay 35 dollars per month for his four-room apartment.

By mutual consent, children will be permitted in the building. Eight veterans are married, one is about to be married and the tenth is still available.

## School for GI Brides Set-up in England

Schools for British brides of GIs have been set up by the American Red Cross in England to help these women understand their future home. The purpose is to do a job of "deglamourizing"—that is, to correct the impression formed from Hollywood films and fast-talking soldiers who married them. Also on the curriculum are the geography of America, living conditions, and living within a given income.

A Red Cross spokesman said that 53,000 GI brides await shipping space which won't be available until March. The problem is complicated, he said, by an American law which furnished free transportation for the first three grades, but not for men of lesser rank.

## U.S. Navy Now Too Weak To Fight, Says Adm King

Rapid demobilization of personnel has so disorganized the U. S. Navy that today it could not fight a major battle, according to Fleet Admiral Ernest J. King, chief of naval operations.

Admiral King told a congressional committee that he favored universal military training as necessary to build up a trained, organized reserve. "The Navy today," said he, "is pretty much a disintegrated group."

"Has the Navy become so disorganized that it could not fight a major battle?" the admiral was asked.

"I'm afraid I'll have to say 'yes' to that question," he replied.

## Pleads Section Eight

NEW YORK (CNS)—When Joseph Andrews, 36, was arraigned in Felony Court on a charge of stealing vestments and silverware from Catholic, Jewish and Protestant chapels at Bellevue Hospital, he told the magistrate: "Your Honor, I think I ought to go back to Bellevue for a sanity examination. I don't think I'm all there." The request was granted.

## The Hard Way

INDIANAPOLIS (CNS)—A young local couple, who wanted to get married but couldn't do so until they had found an apartment, were looking for one when they were hit by a truck while crossing the street. The next day they were married in the city hospital, where they will live for the next 2 months.

## For That Lost Weekend

EVANSTON, Ill.—The Women's Christian Temperance Union suggests a toast for all future drinking bouts during 1946. It goes something like this:

"I pledge perpetual hate  
To all which can intoxicate."

## Quote of the Week

"Combat has helped me more than it has hurt me—mentally I mean. I made several sacred vows when I was down under. I'm going to live a better life from now on. It was nothing but my faith in God that gave me the courage and strength to carry on," S-Sgt. Fred M. Lockhart, 26, infantry squad leader.



## Spectator's Sports

Four enterprising veterans of the 10th Mountain ski troopers are going into business at Mount Hood, Oregon. They intend to teach enthusiasts of the sport methods that they had learned in the Army.

The best football record of straight wins is held by Michigan's grid teams between 1901 and 1905 which played 56 games without a loss.

Ladies' Day in baseball is not the recent custom many people seem to believe. The New York Giants started it at the original Polo Grounds on June 16, 1883.

Tournament golfers are the lowest paid professional athletes in the sporting world. They're paid exactly nothing and get only what they can win. Only a few are able to collect enough in prizes to cover their expenses.

Until 1882 umpires often took testimony from players and spectators before ruling on a disputed play.

Badminton, not yet as popular as some of its rabid fans would like to see, is one of the fastest games being played today. One-half-hour of badminton is as strenuous as three deuce sets of fast tennis.

What must have been a charming custom in the twelfth century was the way football was played in those days. It seems the object of the game as played by rivals from neighboring towns was to kick the ball right into the center of the other town. The players invariably left behind as much destruction and chaos as the detonation of an A-bomb.

